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Selectmen Minutes 06-25-2001

Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 25, 2001

7:15 p.m.

Present: Mr. Lyons - Chair, Mrs. Mahon - Vice Chairman, Mr. Greeley, Mrs. Dias, Mr. Hurd

Also Present: Mr. Farrington, Mr. Maher, Ms. Cove

FOR APPROVAL

Minutes of Meeting: June 4, 2001

Mrs. Mahon moved approval as amended. SO VOTED

Report on Precinct Redistricting

Kevin O'Brien, Assistant Director of Planning was present and explained why the changes in the precincts are mandated by the Secretary of State; he further explained how the precincts are drawn by census blocks. He presented the Board with a recommendation based on the latest census data.

Mr. Greeley moved to that the recommendation "6/25/01 Alternative 2" be the layout that the town accept. He further explained that the Town will need to send a letter to the affected residents explaining the change. SO VOTED

Keyspan: Energy Delivery Petition

To install and maintain approximately 430', more or less of 8 & 6" gas main in Mass. Ave. @ Magnolia St., westerly, from existing 4" gas main in Mass. Ave. @ Teel St., all of which is to replace the 4" gas main in Mass. Ave. (all abutters notified)

Harold Cooper, Permit Representative for Keyspan was present. The Board requested that Mr. Cooper give his reassurance that the street would be repaired well. Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to a time specified by the Town Manager and in communication with the abutters.

SO VOTED

The Chairman requested that in the future, specific dates and times for the work to be completed appear as part of the petition before the Board.

NSTAR Electric Petition

Grant of Location for approximately twenty one (21) feet of conduit to be installed in Mass. Ave.

(all abutters notified)

Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED

Bond Anticipation and State Anticipation Highway Notes

Alfred B. Fantini, Assistant Treasurer

Mrs. Mahon moved approval of the borrowing of \$1,148,000 for capital expenditures.

SO VOTED

APPOINTMENTS & REAPPOINTMENTS

Appointment – Council on Aging

Robert Bowes
(term to expire 6/4/04)
Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED

Reappointments – Historic District Commissions

Andrea Alberg (at large)
Martha Penzenik (at large)
Margaret Jean Potter
(terms to expire 7/04)
Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED

Reappointments – Arlington Preservation Fund

Thomas Wray Falwell
Harold L. Goldsmith
Alan J. McClennen, Jr.
John L. Worden, III
(terms to expire 7/04)
Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED

LICENSES & PERMITS

Request for Awning Permit

Lisa & Terry Austin, Wild Women Outfitters, 397 Mass. Ave
Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED

Request for One Day All Alcoholic License

Retired Men's Club, 7/22/01 at St. Camillus Parish Hall
Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED

Automatic Amusement Renewals

Alosia Club Inc., Jan Kimborowicz, Mgr., 19 Prentiss Road
VFW Arlington Post #1775, Dominic C. Sarcia, Mgr., 600R Mass. Ave.
Papa Gino's, Robert Cospennato, General Mgr., 459 Mass. Ave.
Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED

Common Victualler License

Alco Donuts LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts, John Cook, President, 21 Summer St.
Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED

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Alco Donuts LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts, John Cook, President, 1234 Mass. Ave.
Mrs. Dias moved approval. SO VOTED

Food Vendor License

Atiqur Rahman & Munni Khan d/b/a Dagg's Deli, 152 Mass. Ave.
Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to all departmental conditions. SO VOTED

Second Hand Dealer License

Margot Ouellet d/b/a Frida Bee, 8 Medford St.
Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to all departmental conditions. SO VOTED

Wholesale Non Premise Car Dealer License

The Auction Authority d/b/a Charles Balyozian Auctioneers, 19 Scituate St.
Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED

For Approval: Special Dedications for School Facilities

Driveway in Front of Arlington High School "Carey Drive"

Gymnasium at Brackett School "Sammarco Gymnasium"

Award Corridor at AHS "Ron Nigro Hall of Fame"

Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED

The Chairman indicated that he, the Vice Chairman, Town Manager, Superintendent of Schools and the Chair and Vice Chair of the School Committee would soon be discussing the possibility of a series of fall retreats for the Board of Selectmen and School Committee.

Mr. Greeley requested the Board entertain the idea of a day full of dedications because there have been so many as of late.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

Request for Waiver of Parking Restriction

Xinzheng Yang, M.D., PhD, 9 Higgins St.

This item was referred to the parking subcommittee and will appear on the July 30, 2001 agenda of the Board.

For Approval: Four Way Stop Sign Gardner Street @ Fremont Street

Request of the Arlington Housing Authority

Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED

Report on Review of Housing Corporation Bylaws

Report of Town Counsel and Laura Weiner, Director of Fair Housing
(from 5/7 meeting)

Mr. Maher reported that in his opinion the bylaws are in acceptable condition. Mr. Greeley moved to receive the report. SO VOTED

Proposed Pole Attachment for 10 Ridge St.

Paul Andreotti, Operations Manager, RCN

This matter was referred to the Board because of the aesthetic concern of the wire hanging a substantial distance across Mystic Street.

Brian McCarthy was present to represent RCN. Mr. Hurd moved approval of the installation subject to the approval of the Town Manager. SO VOTED

For Approval: Special Employee Designation

Carl Toumayan, Frank Reynolds and Richard Keshian of Keshian & Reynolds

Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED

For Discussion: Livery Licenses

Report of Town Counsel

Mr. Greeley moved to postpone discussion on the matter until the next Livery License appears on the agenda. SO VOTED

The Chairman requested that a copy of Mr. Maher's memo be sent out to all interested parties and that the matter will come up in September.

Proclamation: Franca Ainsworth

Mr. Hurd read a proclamation honoring Town Meeting Member and citizen activist Franca Ainsworth who is leaving Arlington to move to Maine. The Board wished her well in her new home.

Parking Deck Status

Report of Selectman Hurd

Mr. Hurd reported on the discussions at the parking deck meeting. Alan McClennen, Director of Planning and Community Development was present and reported on some possible options for funding a parking structure.

David Walkinshaw of the Chamber of Commerce expressed the concerns of the business community.

The Chairman requested a needs assessment that would indicate how much square footage is needed, he also

requested a history of the gift of the property and what the deed says, he also stated that the Town needs to envision what they would like the center to look like.

Mrs. Mahon requested a breakdown of the contiguous businesses and how many spaces they are granted by the Redevelopment Board.

Bill Rowe, owner of 5 Water Street said that he would be committed to engaging in agreement on funding more parking so long as he could be assured that the town would honor its part of the agreement.

Mr. Greeley moved to direct Mr. Hurd's committee to find immediate solutions to parking in the center and to recommend what other steps are necessary to develop a long term plan. There was no second to the motion.

Mr. Walkinshaw offered to come back to the Board next month with a recommendation for an additional 40 spaces for the municipal area.

The Chairman requested that Mrs. Mahon serve in his place on the municipal parking and parking deck subcommittees.

Correspondence Received

Bob Durand & Mass. Interagency Mercury Task Force campaign Be Rec'd
Howard Koh
Executive Office of
Environmental Affairs

Nancy Tokarz Acquiring of additional land belonging to Symmes Hospital Be Rec'd
20 Vista Circle
This matter was referred to Town Counsel.

Laura Wiener Community Preservation Act Committee Be Rec'd
73 Jason St
Mr. Greeley moved to appoint Laura Wiener as the Board's designee to this committee.
SO VOTED

John Errera Concerns relative to AT&T Broadband Be Rec'd
152 Scituate St.

Jawad Fakhrazadeh Stop sign replacement on Henderson St., etc. Be Rec'd
Hadaef Realty Trust
566 Concord Ave.
Lexington

Franklin W. Hurd, Jr. Utility Poles at Menotomy Manor and Drake Village Be Rec'd
Executive Dir.
Arlington Housing
Authority

Maxene Armour Conflict of Interest Seminar Be Rec'd
State Ethics Comm.

John L. Worden III Civic Block as study area for Ch. 40C Historic District Be Rec'd
Secretary
Historic Dist. Com.

Philip J. Farrington Regional Truck Traffic Study Recommendation Be Rec'd
Town Manager

Bruce & Leslie Questions from 5/22 Reservoir Meeting Be Rec'd
Mayer

Clarissa Rowe Community Preservation Act Be Rec'd
New Business:

Mrs. Mahon invited everyone to a bone marrow drive on July 11th. She commented on the Cambridge CSO project letter from Secretary Durand.

Mrs. Dias commented on the MAPC trucking study. She indicated her opposition to the use of trucks on Broadway in Arlington. Mrs. Dias moved to oppose the use of Broadway in Arlington for trucking. SO VOTED

The Director of Planning and Community Development will let the sentiments of the Board be known at the next meeting regarding the truck study.

Mr. Dias thanked Sheriff DePaola for the prisoners doing a cleanup at spy pond.

Mr. Hurd requested that the item of double utility poles be placed on the next agenda. He also commented on the poor condition of Bicentennial Park. Mr. Hurd moved to send a letter to the appropriate body requesting that the area be cleaned up. SO VOTED

He expressed his enthusiasm that the town would be receiving state funds to improve the rink. He also encouraged everyone to attend the 4th of July event at Robbins Farm at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Lyons mentioned a program by AARP that takes old cell phones and donates them to senior citizens for 911 use.

Mrs. Dias acknowledged Mr. Hurd and Mr. Lyons for their work in getting new playground equipment for the Cutter School. Saturn of Medford, in memory of cyclist Nicole Reinhart, donated the equipment.

Mr. Lyons gave information on the upcoming BMC bike race. He also indicated that he would be working to streamline the subcommittees of the Board.

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m. SO VOTED